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from: **April 9, 2007** until: **May 9, 2007**
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TOTAL CLAIMS	18 -	20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1 -	3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$120.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$120.00

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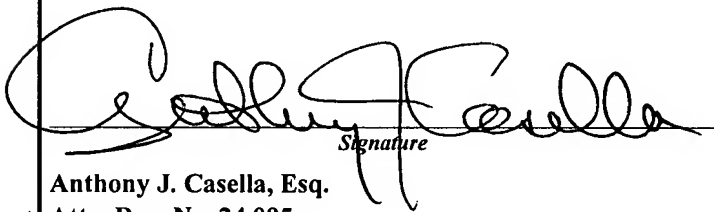
**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
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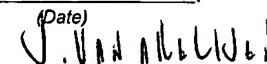
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Mail Stop Amendment
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the Office Action dated January 9, 2007 in the above identified patent application. Entry of the present amendment and favorable consideration of the pending claims respectfully is requested based on the following.